CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: METHHELP - How to stay in control

Other known title(s): drughelp.org.nz/meth

OFLC ref: 1800212.000

Medium: Booklet

Distributor: Massey High School

Author: DRUGHELP.ORG.NZ Ministry Of Health NZ Drug Foundation

Director: DRUGHELP.ORG.NZ Ministry Of Health NZ Drug Foundation

Producer: NZ Drug Foundation

Publisher: NZ Drug Foundation

Country of origin: Aotearoa New Zealand

Language: English

Applicant: Secretary for Internal Affairs

Classification: Unrestricted.

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 20 July 2018

Date of direction to issue

a label:

No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 20 July 2018

Summary of reasons for decision:

METHHELP - How To Stay In Control is a health resource primarily intended for distribution to those using methamphetamine, and with a focus on reducing harm is likely to have a significant positive impact in that space. It was submitted for classification due to concerns over its use as a research document for students studying drug use in NZ as part of an NCEA assignment. The booklet deals with methamphetamine in an honest way, always tempered by clear identification of the inherent harms of the drug. It is not detailed enough to pose a real risk of harm, and while it is unsuitable for children, the information therein is unlikely to cause them harm. This Unrestricted classification is consistent with the right to freedom of expression, including the freedom to seek, receive, and impart information and opinions of any kind in any form, as set out in Section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.